GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
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RESERVATION OF JOBS
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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the reservation of 15 percent jobs for people belonging to Scheduled Castes in Government service as well as for seats in Public educational institutions in Andhra Pradesh will be rationalised;

(b) if so, details thereof and steps taken in this regard;

(c) whether SC categorisation has been introduced in the country for the first time; and

(d) whether the same has been accepted by National Commission for SCs and STs now and the manner in which this decision will be helpful to the SCs and STs?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

(SMT. MANEKA GANDHI)

(a) to(d) The Andhra Pradesh Scheduled Castes (Rationalisation of Reservations) Ordinance, 1998 has been promulgated by Government of Andhra Pradesh to ensure that the benefits of reservations are available for an equal and equitable enjoyment by all the Scheduled Castes and give effect to the Constitutional mandate by rationalizing the reservations to Scheduled Castes, without in anyway touching upon or interfering with the Constitution (Scheduled Castes) Order, 1950 as amended by the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes Order (Amendment) Act, 1976.
The National Commission for Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes has not accepted the proposal of the Government of Andhra Pradesh for Categorisation of the Scheduled Castes.